THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) Augmentation of trains including with general class coaches is an ongoing process on the Railways depending upon traffic pattern, operational feasibility and availability of resources. However, increasing general class coaches in 2723/2724 Andhra Pradesh Express is not feasible as the train is running with maximum permissible load.

Rail transportation of WCL in Gujarat

1444. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Gujarat Government has requested for transportation of 50,000 Meters of WCL to Ukai TPS;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Request was received from Gujarat Electricity Board for transportation of 50,000 tonnes of coal from Western Coalfield Ltd. (WCL). This was not accepted by Railways due to adverse financial implications and wastage of infrastructure created by Railways for transportation of coal from the traditional source of coal supply *i.e.* South Eastern Coalfield Limited to the Power Stations of Gujarat Electricity Board including Ukai. Railways have no problem in moving coal from Korea-Rewa or Korba field of South Eastern Coalfield Limited to Ukai TPS.

Computerised rail reservation at Wankaner

1445. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA:
SHRI LALITBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a demand has been pending with the Ministry of Railways to computerize reservation facility at Wankaner Junction; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) The demand for setting up of a computerised reservation centre at Wankaner Jn. was raised in the meeting of the Informal Consultative Committee held on 31-7-2001.